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RESOLUTIONS AT THE UNGA THIRD COMMITTEE

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(SBU) We delivered reftels' respective talking points to Nik
Ady Arman, Assistant Secretary in the MFA's mulilateral
political affairs division. Arman reiterated that Malaysia,
"as a matter of principle," is generally not supportive of
country specific resolutions proposed at the UN. He said,
"To us, in most cases, these country specific resolutions are
used by their sponsors as a tool to go after the target
country on a bilateral basis." We told Arman that we would
expect Malaysia to reject the three resolutions proposed by
Belarus, to be consistent with Malaysia's typical stance of
not supporting country-specific resolutions. Arman said he
has passed to his superiors our three sets of talking points
about the UNGA Third Committee's human rights resolutions,
and that the MFA will consult with Malaysia's UN mission
regarding the upcoming votes.
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